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1. APPARENTLY SMORDER NOT AWARE OF CONTENT BRIEFING GIVEN
SMOBLIGE APRIL 1963. (PER SUBPARA B BELOW, BRIEFING COVERED
AUDIENCE RESEARCH BUT NOT BOOK DISTRIBUTION EFFORTS, WHICH BEGAN
1965.) SUGGEST ADVISE SMORDER THAT:

A. CCR ESTABLISHED OCTOBER 1963 AS VEHICLE FOR JOAN HUNT
BALCAR, LONDON REPRESENTATIVE, RL AUDIENCE RESEARCH DIVISION,
IN HER CONTACTS WITH ACADEMIC PEOPLE, MANY OF WHOM IT WAS
BELIEVED WOULD BE RELUCTANT TO BE ASSOCIATED IN ANY WAY WITH
RLC OR RL. THERE IS NO OBVIOUS LINK BETWEEN RLC/RL AND CCR.
THERE WAS NEVER ANY INTENTION OF USING CCR FOR INTEL ^{COLLECTION} PURPOSES.

B. IT BECAME APPARENT THAT MRS. BALCAR WAS WELL SITUATED
TO ASSIST IN RLC'S EXPANDING USSR BOOK DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM, WHICH

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IS HANDLED UNDER OTHER THAN OVERT RLC SPONSORSHIP. STARTING IN 1965, MRS. BALCAR HAS BUILT UP A VERY EFFECTIVE BRANCH OF THE BOOK PROGRAM. DURING FY 1967 SHE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR DISTRIBUTION NEARLY 5,000 BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

C. ONLY DEROG INFO ON JOAN BALCAR IS HER MARRIAGE 11OCT 58 TO ALEXANDER JAROMIN BALCAR, WHO HAS UNSAVORY REPUTATION AS SWINDLER AND POSSIBLE CZECH INTEL AGENT. SHE LATER SEPARATED FROM HIM AND WOFIRM HAS NO RECORD ANY MEETING BETWEEN THEM SINCE 1962 WHEN SHE TRANSFERRED TO LONDON. NO RECORD ANY DIVORCE ACTION.

D. WOFIRM HAS NO REASON DOUBT JOAN BALCAR IS LOYAL BRITISH SUBJECT. SHE NOT OFFICIALLY AWARE WOFIRM INTEREST IN RLC AND NO WOFIRM PERSONNEL IN CONTACT WITH HER. ASSUME SMOTH/JAGUAR HAVE HAD OCCASIONAL CONTACT WITH HER.

E. BOOK PROGRAM USES FOUR METHODS OF DISTRIBUTION: HANDOUTS TO SOVIET TRAVELLERS IN WEST, BLIND MAILINGS TO

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LIBRARIES AND UNIVERSITIES IN USSR, DIRECT MAILINGS ON REQUEST OF WESTERN SPONSORS TO SPECIFIC PROFESSORS IN USSR, AND HANDOUTS BY EXCHANGE STUDENTS WITHIN USSR. ASSUME LAST METHOD IS PRINCIPAL ONE GIVING PROBLEM TO FONOFF.

5. YOU MAY ALSO, OF COURSE, EXPRESS TO SMORDER APPROPRIATE HQS APOLOGIES FOR NOT HAVING CLEARED BOOK PROGRAM AT ITS INCEPTION, WHICH SIMPLE OVERSIGHT.
2. FYI MATERIAL CITED SUBPARAS A-C ABOVE IS ESSENCE WOMUSE

REPLY CITED PARA 1E REF A, TO QUERY FROM JAGUAR REP HERE ON SAME TOPIC.

3. HQS FEELS DETAILED BRIEFING [] AND SMORDER/SMOBLIGE DESIRABLE. SUGGEST MR. ISAAC PATCH, DIRECTOR RLC BOOK PROGRAM, COME TO LONDON AT SAME TIME [] FEEL DIRECT PITCH BY PATCH PROBABLY NECESSARY TO SALVAGE ANY SIGNIFICANT PORTION BOOK PROGRAM. HQS ASSUMES ACTIVITIES MRS. BALCAR CONDUCTS FOR [] (NOT A PROBLEM, BUT AGREE HIS PRESENCE WOULD BE HELPFUL.

4. WHILE WOFIRM COULD REQUIRE RLC HAVE MRS. BALCAR STOP GIVING BOOKS TO BRITISH EXCHANGE STUDENTS FOR HANDOUT IN USSR,

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TO [WE RELUCTANT TO DO SO, AS STUDENTS COULD ACQUIRE BOOKS ON THEIR OWN. BELIEVE MOST STUDENTS WELL AWARE OF SOVIET STUDENT INTEREST WESTERN BOOKS AND ARE READY TO HELP SATISFY THIS INTEREST. HOWEVER, QUANTITY OF BOOKS HANDLED BY ANY SINGLE STUDENT SHOULD PROBABLY BE MUCH LOWER THAN THE 300 CITED IN REF A. WE ARE MINDFUL OF LIMITATIONS ON AEARTICLE IN THIS FIELD, AND APPRECIATE GOING MAY BE STICKY.

5. REQUEST [] FIND OUT EARLIEST DATE [] COULD BE IN LONDON. WHEN THIS KNOWN, REQUEST [] SET DATE FOR TALKS WITH [] AND PATCH AND ARRANGE FOR FOLLOW UP JOINT TALKS WITH SMORDER AND SMOBLIGE. PATCH IS AVAILABLE ANY TIME AUGUST OR SEPTEMBER. MANAGOFF CONCURS.

6. HQS FEELS THERE REMAINS UNANSWERED QUESTION OF WHETHER PROVOCATION CITED PARA 1B REF A ACTUALLY RELATED TO STUDENT'S BOOK DISTRIBUTION ACTIVITIES. ~~TO~~ TO BEST OUR KNOWLEDGE THERE

(IT KGB STANDARD MODUS OPERANDI TO HIT ALL STUDENTS AND IN THIS CASE AMPLE TIME WAS AVAILABLE TO DEVELOP THE OPERATION. (CONTINUED)

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NO PREVIOUS SIMILAR ATTEMPT AGAINST ANY BOOK PROGRAM DISTRIBUTOR. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFO JAGUAR/SMOTH CAN SUPPLY.

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